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FOR:

METHOD FOR DETECTING ACETYLTRANSFERASE AND

DEACETYLASE ACTIVITIES AND METHOD FOR SCREENING

INHIBITORS OR ENHANCERS OF THESE ENZYMES

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated May 8, 2001 of the above-identified application.

Applicants respectfully reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement. In particular, it is believed that multiple groups could be searched and examined together without undue burden. For instance, the searches for Group I through IV should be significantly overlapping.

In any event, to provide a complete response to the Restriction, applicants elect Group II, directed to clams 2, 5-10 and 15, as that Group is defined in the Office Action.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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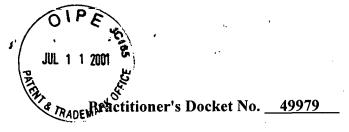
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If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3.	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a)	[]	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
		(fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below

	Extension	Fee for other than	Fee for		
	(months)	small entity	small entity		
[ ] [ ] [ ]	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00		
	two months	\$380.00	\$190.00		
	three months	\$870.00	\$435.00		
	four months	\$1360.00	\$680.00		

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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OR

(b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

#### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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## FEE DEFICIENCY

NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6.	[X]	X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. <u>04-1105.</u>					
		AND	/OR				
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			SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER				
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